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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

TOPIC Erfurt-Bindersleben Airfield

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25X1 1. On 19 December 1950, [] fourteen laborers were seen piling construction material such as boards, planks, square timber, and wooden supports near the two construction sheds recently erected on the southern edge of the Erfurt-Bindersleben (L 51/J 26) airfield. Next to the construction sheds was a signboard reading: "VEB - Bauunion-South - Jena (L 51/J 66) Branch Office". Five civilians surveyed the western edge of the field. Local residents said that the work started on 15 December 1950.

2. Surveying stakes were seen on the landing field. No soldiers or sentries were seen, however, an old civilian guard was at the field. *

25X1 * [] Comment. Surveying has been done at the field since October 1950. [] 25X1 To date, construction has not started. A concrete runway will probably be constructed. It has not been determined if the landing field is to be enlarged.

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